

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  RURAL IOWA INDEPENDENT TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION AND IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION; ALPINE COMMUNICATIONS, L.C., ET AL.; AND COON VALLEY COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION, INC., ET AL.	DOCKET NOS. SPU-04-3 SPU-04-5 SPU-04-6
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**ORDER GRANTING MOTION**

(Issued July 22, 2004)

On June 24, 2004, the Wireless Coalition for Intermodal Portability (Wireless Coalition) filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a "Motion for Extension of Time to File Testimony." In support of its request, Wireless Coalition stated that it discussed the proposed extension with the Iowa Telecommunications Association, NPCR, Inc., d/b/a Nextel Partners, and Sprint Corporation, d/b/a Sprint PCS (Sprint), and received no objection.

On June 30, 2004, the Board issued an "Order Denying Request for Extension of Time" in this docket on the grounds that the extension of time proposed by Wireless Coalition would not allow sufficient time for the Board to prepare for the hearing in this proceeding.

On July 1, 2004, Sprint filed the testimony of Hoke R. Knox after the June 28, 2004, deadline for testimony outlined in the Board's modified procedural schedule

issued May 11, 2004. Also on July 1, 2004, Sprint filed a "Motion to File Testimony Out of Time." In support of its motion, Sprint states that it had not objected to Wireless Coalition's initial proposal for extension of time and was unaware of the Board's denial of that motion before June 28, 2004. Sprint states that it notified all parties of the late-filed testimony and indicated to the parties that the testimony was substantially similar to the testimony filed in a similar proceeding, Docket No. SPU-04-8.

The Board finds Sprint's request to be reasonable. The testimony was filed three days after the deadline for filed testimony and all parties were informed of the delay. No objection to Sprint's motion has been received from any party to this proceeding. Therefore, the Board will grant Sprint's motion and accept the testimony of Hoke R. Knox for this proceeding.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

The "Motion to File Testimony Out of Time" filed by Sprint Corporation, d/b/a Sprint PCS, is granted.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper  
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2004.